

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5658, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. KENNEDY OF RHODE ISLAND  
AND MS. SHEA-PORTER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

**1 SEC. 708. RESERVE COMPONENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
2 CARE PROVIDER LOCATOR AND APPOINT-  
3 MENT ASSISTANCE DEMONSTRATION  
4 PROJECT.**

**5 (a) DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.**—The Secretary of  
6 Defense shall conduct a demonstration project to assess  
7 the feasibility and efficacy of providing a behavioral health  
8 care provider locator and appointment assistance service  
9 to members of the reserve components of the Armed  
10 Forces.

**11 (b) ELEMENTS.**—The demonstration project shall in-  
12 clude, at a minimum, a toll-free hotline, staffed and avail-  
13 able 24 hours a day 7 days a week, to help members of  
14 the reserve components find behavioral health care pro-  
15 viders and schedule outpatient appointments in the  
16 TRICARE network.

1 (c) ELIGIBILITY.—In order to be eligible for the dem-  
2 onstration project, a member of the Armed Forces shall  
3 meet the following requirements:

4 (1) Be a member of the Selected Reserve.

5 (2) Be enrolled in TRICARE Reserve Select.

6 (3) Reside within the primary service area for  
7 TRICARE Prime.

8 (d) IMPLEMENTATION.—The demonstration project  
9 shall be implemented not later than 180 days after the  
10 date of the enactment of this Act.

11 (e) SUNSET.—The authority for the demonstration  
12 project required by this section shall expire on September  
13 30, 2011.

14 (f) REPORTS.—The Secretary of Defense shall sub-  
15 mit to the congressional defense committees the following  
16 reports:

17 (1) PLAN.—Not later than 90 days after the  
18 date of the enactment of this Act, a report con-  
19 taining a plan to implement the demonstration  
20 project required by this section.

21 (2) UPDATES.—Not later than 180 days after  
22 such date of enactment and every 180 days there-  
23 after, a report containing an update on the dem-  
24 onstration project.

1           (3) FINAL EVALUATION.—Not later than Janu-  
2       ary 1, 2012, a report containing a final written eval-  
3       uation, including recommendations for the extension  
4       or expansion of the demonstration project.

